of the total pore volume is in pores of diameter from about 10% below the size of the mode pore diameter to about 10% above the size of the mode pore diameter.

- 2. (Previously Presented) The electrode of claim 1, wherein said pore sizes are in the range of about 0.1  $\mu m$  to about 10 $\mu m$  as measured by scanning electron microscopy
- 3. (Previously Presented) The electrode of claim 1, wherein said first pore opening is up to about a factor of 10 smaller in size than said second pore opening, wherein said pore openings are measured by scanning electron microscopy
- 4. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell <u>including a solid electrolyte and</u> comprising at least one electrode comprising a conductive material having a plurality of pores wherein said pores are tapered having a first pore opening smaller in size than a second pore opening, said electrode having a pore size distribution wherein at least 90% of the total pore volume is in pores of diameter from about 10% below the size of the mode pore diameter to about 10% above the size of the mode pore diameter.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell of claim 4, , wherein said first pore opening is up to about a factor of 10 smaller in size than said second pore opening, wherein said pore openings are measured by scanning electron microscopy.

- 6. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell of claim 4, wherein the pore sizes are in the range of about 0.1  $\mu m$  to about 10 $\mu m$  as measured by scanning electron microscopy
- 7. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell stack comprising at least one fuel cell including a solid electrolyte and having at least one electrode comprising a conductive material having a plurality of pores wherein said pores are tapered having a first pore opening smaller in size than a second pore opening, said electrode having a pore size distribution wherein at least 90% of the total pore volume is in pores of diameter from about 10% below the size of the mode pore diameter to about 10% above the size of the mode pore diameter.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell stack of claim 7, wherein said first pore opening is up to about a factor of 10 smaller in size than said second pore opening, wherein said pore openings are measured by scanning electron microscopy.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell stack of claim 7, wherein the pore sizes are in the range of about 0.1  $\mu m$  to about 10 $\mu m$  as measured by scanning electron microscopy